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PETITION TO EXTEND TIME

For: HLA BINDING PEPTIDES

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Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated November 24, 1999, for three months, from December 24, 1999, to March 24, 2000. An appropriate response in the form of a Response to Restriction Requirement is enclosed herewith.

Please charge the fee of \$435.00 to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to the above deposit account. This petition is submitted in triplicate.

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